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*copy program! Seven Lessons*  
THE SAYINGS ON THE CROSS

1. LUKE 23:34: "Then said Jesus, 'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.'"
  - a. THEM? Jews, Rulers and Romans! Ignorant!
  - b. WHAT? Murder! Coarse hearts nailed Jesus to the cross. Mocked & ridiculed Him as He hung in helpless-agony, suffering fresh tortures every minute as His life and strength slipped away.
  - c. EARLIER: Taught Matt. 6:12-15. Hard! Heb. 5:8-9. Now PERFECT! Our Messiah.
2. LUKE 23:43: "Today shalt thou be with ME in paradise." *Savior Friend*
  - a. The distance to Heaven is now measured in hours, minutes and seconds: Today!!!!
  - b. Heaven worthy of a dedicated, sacrificial life OF MINE? Worth: price of God's Son? \*Rev. 21:1-5. How did the Utopia of Heaven look to this THIEF now? JESUS? US?
3. JOHN 19:25-27: "Woman, behold thy son. Behold thy mother."
  - a. 5th Commandment has ALWAYS been: honor, respect, love and devotion to PARENTS. Jesus fulfilled all the commandments..... Matt. 5:17. Lk. 24:44-45. *Honored My mother.*
  - b. Eph. 6:1-4. Children obey. Fathers bring. *Jesus, a great example.*
4. MATTHEW 27:46: "My God! / My God! WHY? hast Thou forsaken Me?"
  - a. Jesus was now UTTERLY ALONE or He felt He was alone! He searched for WHY???
  - b. The answer: Jesus, in His Divine-humanity sees DEATH for what it really is: SEPARATION FROM GOD!!!  
 No hunger, no thirst, no pain, no loneliness HURTS worse than this!  
  
 Pain, humiliation, ridicule, mockery: These HURT. But NOTHING hurt more than UTTER ALONENESS. God had helped His Son before this. He would aid Him after this. But at THIS MOMENT God LEFT JESUS: defenceless, helpless and in torture. SATAN was in control. Death was the test. The WORLD was the prize Jesus would win or lose!!!! All mankind!!! *invaluable*

5. JOHN 19:28: "I thirst!"

a. Jesus had been deprived of SLEEP.

He had not EATEN for hours.

He had been abused, tortured & scourged.

NOW: He was experiencing horrible and ghastly dizziness, cramps in His arms, shoulders, legs, stomach, chest and neck.

From open wounds slowly flowed blood, & lymph Fever tormented his flesh, tetanus began to draw His muscles.

Lacerated-veins and frayed-tendons throbbed with incessant agony. Jesus was DEHYDRATING!

*However,* b. His MIND was still clear and coherent!

Ps. 69:21 had to be fulfilled. He

rejected the Wine and Gall earlier offered (Matt. 27:34)

Now He accepted the simple-vinegar. But it mattered little, as He was only seconds away from death.

6. JOHN 19:30: "It is finished."

a. All goals, missions and purposes complete! John 6:38. Matt. 9:13. John 18:37.

b. Christ's last flow of deminishing adrenalin poured into his throat and diaphragm: Victory Pronouncement!!

"I HAVE OVERCOME ALL ENEMIES & POWERS."

7. LUKE 23:46: "Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit." LOUD VOICE!!! Ps. 31:5.

a. This was the little Jewish boys morning & evening prayer. LIKE: "And now I lay me..."

b. JESUS: ended His earthly ministry in Fullness of Faith, Totality of Trust and the innocent simplicity of a CHILD rushing into His Father's arms after having been frightened or abused!!

*Trust me! all over!*

INT. FOCUS ATTENTION TO ONE FIGURE AT THE CROSS:

The Roman Guard. \*Matt. 27:54. "Truly, this WAS the Son of God!" Said for two reasons:

*Events:* ONE: Veil. Earthquake. Rocks rent. Tombs opened.

*triumph:* TWO: Jesus' ATTITUDE: Forgive. Today. Son. Mother. (OTHERS)!! *them enemy mother*

GOD'S WISH TODAY: Every person in THIS aud. say this. In Word often. In action daily.

MK. 16:15-16. Come confess now. Be Baptized.

REPENT, if have neglected Jesus. Jas. 5:16.

Identify.